

# THE HOLY ROSARY

## The apostle's creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He arose again; He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen

- **The Our Father:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name: Thy kingdom come: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from evil. Amen.
- **The Hail Mary:** Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen
- **Glory Be to the Father:** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## The mysteries

1. (10 Hail Marys to be said in every mystery)
2. (1 Our Father and 3 Hail Marys to be said after the apostle's creed).

3. *To be said after each hail mary*

*(O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of your Mercy. Amen.)*

- *Joyful mysteries (On Mondays and Saturdays)*
  - *The annunciation of the angel to Mary*
  - *The Visitation of Mary to saint Elizabeth*
  - *The nativity of Jesus in Bethlehem*
  - *The presentation of Jesus in the temple*
  - *The finding of Jesus in the temple*
- *Light Mysteries (On Thursdays)*
  - *The Baptism of Jesus*
  - *The wedding at Cana*
  - *The proclamation of the kingdom of God*
  - *The Transfiguration*
  - *The institution of the Eucharist*
- *Sorrowful Mysteries (On Tuesdays and Fridays)*
  - *The Agony of Jesus in the garden*
  - *The scourging of Jesus at the pillar*
  - *The crowning with thorns*
  - *The carrying of the cross*
  - *The crucifixion and death of Jesus*
- *Glorious Mysteries (On Wednesday and Sunday)*
  - *The Resurrection of Jesus Christ*
  - *The Ascension of Jesus to Heaven*
  - *The Descent of the Holy spirit*
  - *The assumption of the blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven*
  - *The Coronation of the blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Heaven and earth*

### **The Hail, Holy Queen**

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy! our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley, of tears. Turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus; O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

### **Let us Pray**

"O God whose only begotten Son by His Life has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, Grant that we beseech Thee while meditating upon these mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may both imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord Amen."

### **The litany of the blessed Virgin Mary**

Lord have mercy.

*Lord have mercy on us*

Christ have mercy.

*Christ have mercy on us*

Lord have mercy.

*Lord have mercy*

Christ hear us.

*Christ graciously hear us.*

God, the Father of heaven,

*Have mercy on us.*

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

*Have mercy on us.*

God the Holy Spirit,

*Have mercy on us*

Holy Trinity, one God,

*Have mercy on us*

Holy Mary,

**\*(from here till the end of the litany)**

Holy Mother of God,

Holy Virgin of virgins,

Mother of Christ,

Mother of the Church,

Mother of divine grace,

Mother most pure,

Mother most chaste,

Mother inviolate,

Mother undefiled,

Mother most amiable,

Mother admirable,

Mother of good counsel,

Mother of our Creator,

Mother of our Saviour,

Mother of mercy,

Virgin most prudent,

Virgin most venerable,

Virgin most renowned,

Virgin most powerful,

Virgin most merciful,

Virgin most faithful,

Mirror of justice,

**\*Pray for us**

Seat of wisdom,  
Cause of our joy,  
Spiritual vessel,  
Vessel of honour,  
Singular vessel of devotion,  
Mystical rose,  
Tower of David,  
Tower of ivory,  
House of gold,  
Ark of the covenant,  
Gate of heaven,  
Morning star,  
Health of the sick,  
Refuge of sinners,  
Comfort of the afflicted,  
Help of Christians,  
Queen of Angels,  
Queen of Patriarchs,  
Queen of Prophets,  
Queen of Apostles,  
Queen of Martyrs,  
Queen of Confessors,  
Queen of Virgins,  
Queen of all Saints,  
Queen conceived without original sin,  
Queen assumed into heaven,  
Queen of the most holy Rosary,  
Queen of families,  
Queen of peace.

Pray for us

- **Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world**  
*Spare us, O God*
- **Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world**  
*Have mercy on us*
- **Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world**  
*That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ*

**Let us pray**

Grant, we beseech thee,  
O Lord God,  
that we, your servants,  
may enjoy perpetual health of mind and body;  
and by the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin,  
may be delivered from present sorrow,  
and obtain eternal joy.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**The Memorare of St. Bernard**

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me.

***(Offer your intentions to the Lord and say ONE Our father and three Hail Mary for each intention).***

***(end) In the name of the father and of the son and the holy spirit, Amen.***